MISSOURI SOUTHERN STATE COLLEGE



Twenty-eighth Annual COMMENCEMENT

COMMENCEMENT

Saturday, May 18, 1996

9:30 a.m. Ceremony 12 Noon Ceremony School of Business Administration School of Arts and Sciences School of Education School of Technology **Associate Degrees Bachelor of General Studies** Music Missouri Southern Wind Ensemble Processional: "Pomp and Circumstance" Elgar Pastor, First Congregational Church Neosho Welcome and Introductions Julio S. León President Missouri Southern State College Address Robert Higgins Vice President for Academic Affairs Conferring of Degrees Julio S. León Presentation of Diplomas Erik J. Bitterbaum Remarks J. R. Moorman President, Faculty Senate Announcement of Academic Honors Erik J. Bitterbaum Outstanding Teaching Awards Julio S. León Recessional Missouri Southern Wind Ensemble

(Please remain seated until recessional is completed.)

Signer: Father William Newby

About the speaker

longtime civic leader, Robert A. Higgins received an Outstanding Citizen Award from the Joplin Chamber of Commerce in 1990. In 1983, he was Lappointed to a term on the Missouri Southern State College Board of Regents, serving as president from 1988-89.

He completed a 41-year career with the U.S. Postal Service as Joplin Postmaster, retiring in 1986. For his dedicated service he was given a Superior Accom-

plishment Award.

Currently an endowment development officer with the Freeman Foundation, he has been chairman of the Freeman Hospital Board of Directors, United Way campaign chairman, president of the MSSC Lionbackers Booster Club, a member of the Missouri Council on Public Higher Education, a member of the Joplin Centennial Association, president of the Kiwanis Club of Joplin and president of the United Way Board. He also received a Distinguished Alumnus Award from MSSC.

A pilot instructor in the Army Air Corps, his education began in the Joplin public school system and continued through Joplin Junior College, The University of Missouri, Missouri Southern State College and the University of Virginia.

He and his wife, Bernice, have two sons, Robert and Richard, and three grandchildren.



CANDIDATES FOR HONORS & DEGREES

BACCALAURATE DEGREE

Summa Cum Laude

Grade point average 3.90 or above

Aldridge, Toni B.*
Anderson, Nathaniel D.
Bell, Cindy Louise
Blair, Mary K.
Bowman, Gregory E.
Brown, Joan Eve*
Brunton, Victor L.*
Burns, Janelle L.†
Casey, Charles R.

Clinkenbeard, Doreen Crowder, Vickie L. Davison, Tabitha Jean Dickens, April A. Fennessey, Tina D.* Gunter, Jan L. Houk, Renee Jackson, Karen Sue Large, David L.
Morrison, Melissa D.†
Neagle, Rebecca Sue
Reed, Debora Jean*
Rhoades, Kelli R.*
Schoen, Stacy Nicole
Stout, Kimberly A.
Taylor, Bradley W.

Taylor, Jeffrey L.*
Thomas, Lissa C.*
Thomas, Marilyn Faye*
Wagoner, Chad E.*†
Walker, Martha JoAnn
Wood, Suzanne N.*
Wright, Sharon D.*†
Zustiak, Mary S.*

Magna Cum Laude

Grade point average 3.80 to 3.89

Abel, Michele Lee Adamson, Mary K. Allen, Susan Bastings, Wendy L. Bateman, Paul H. Berry, Andrea H. Broaddus, Brian S. Claxton, Jennifer L. Copeland, Michelle D. Davison, Michael L. Fisher, John C. Friend, Shauna L. † Giertz, Keturah Lurene † Gilbert, Jolena L. † Hargis, Amy M. Hartgrave, Lou Jean Litchy, Alan E. Nelson, Kelly D.
Overfelt, Sonia D.
Owens, Sheila Rae
Parker, Heather H.
Putman, Stacy Marie
Schnake, Linda Lanae
Shuey, Kathleen S.
Sommer, Dustin L.

Steele, Vicki Ann Steinbrecher, Trisha D. † Storms, Rhesa Michelle Stuck, Kristi D. † Taylor, Brice R. Tiede, Jason A. VanBuren, Cliff H. Volk, Diane M. Ward, Dan J.

Cum Laude

Grade point average 3.70 to 3.79

Bendure, Aimee E. Blinzler, Micheal W. Brewer, Timothy J. Brown, Seth Ann Bullington, Sandra L. Butler, Shawnda D. Buzzard, Billy Jack Campbell, Nancy M.

Claussen, Tiffani D. †
Ethridge, Jennifer E.
Gilstrap, Curt A.
Grosse, Allison L.
James, Christine R.
Johnson, Stephanie R.
Long, Angela D.
Long, Angela Michelle †

Mackey, Rebecca Sue Mailes, Carol Jean Milligan, Cara M. † Parrish, Maxann Phipps, Chad A. Roberts, Robin Renee Rogers, Linda Louise Russell, Kelly R. Sanborn, Cherie L. Sawyer, Scott David Sitton, Gary D. Spurling, Steven Earl Thomson, Michelle D. † Troxell, Gary A. † Zustiak, Wendy Jane

ASSOCIATE DEGREES First Honors

Grade point average 3.90 or above

Anderson, Dawn J.*
Anderson, Leanne*

Cowan, Michelle M. Crabill, Melvin R.* Madson, Rodney Earl Nutt, Rick R.* Smith, Debra Sue

Second Honors

Grade point average 3.80 to 3.89

Kennedy, Margaret Kay

Studyvin, Tracy C.

Frazier, Susan R.

Third Honors

Grade point average 3.70 to 3.79

Austin, Rachel D.

* 4.00 Average † Honors Program

Nine-thirty Ceremony

School of Business

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Abel, Michele Lee*
Accounting/Economics and
Finance
Carthage

Adamson, Mary Kay Management / Marketing Girard KS

Ansley, Jason Ray Marketing Webb City

Anthony, Carolyn E. General Business
Joplin

Archer, Elizabeth A.

Marketing / Management
Joplin

Ball, Kelly Dean Accounting Joplin

Beeler, Christopher Kyle Accounting Joplin

Bell, Cindy Louise*
Accounting
Joplin

Bell, Darrel Wayne Management Joplin

Berry, Amos Lee* General Business Talala OK

Bird, David Economics and Finance Lockwood

Bissinger, Chanin Sue* Marketing Joplin

Blagg, Alicia Lee* Economics and Finance Carthage Blahnik, Rudolph E.*
Accounting
Joplin

Blinzler, Michael Wayne*
Accounting
Wentworth

Blodgett, David Gene Management Carthage

Boman, Jason Daniel*
Marketing
Joplin

Bowman, Gregory Edwin*
Accounting
Washburn

Boyd, Shane Allen** General Business Joplin

Brazeal, Crystal L. Management Koshkonong

Breckner, Belinda B.

Management
Joplin

Accounting
Monett

Broaddus, Brian S.**
Accounting
Joplin

Brown, Brandon Michael Accounting Webb City

Brown, Mechele Leah**
Management
Neosho

Brown, Seth Ann Accounting Vinita OK

Budimlija, Terry A.* Marketing Lenexa KS Burke, Michael C.*
Management
Joplin

Calhoon, Kimberly Gail**
Management
Carthage

Call, Eric Marketing Anderson

Carter, Joshua Galen Management Carthage

Catron, Matthew S.
Marketing
Nevada

Cavender, Elmer Edwin Management Joplin

Chandler, Jennifer Management Sarcoxie

Claussen, Tiffani D.*+
Accounting
Branson

Claypool, Robert Gene* General Business Richards

Cline, Matthew S.*
Economics and Finance
Joplin

Coffey, Randy Keith General Business Joplin

Cole, Cherie L. Management Neosho

Coleman, John Thomas*
Accounting
Webb City

Cowger, Larry Shane**
Marketing
Carl Junction

Creasy, Cynthia Lynn*
Marketing
Joplin

Davis, Bryan C. General Business Joplin

Dawson, Michael Todd**

Management
Webb City

Day, Jenny Angela Marketing Joplin

Dayringer, Eric Joe Economics and Finance Springfield

Dingess, Becky Lynn Management Carl Junction

Dockery, Nancy Marie Management Carthage

Donaldson, Matthew S.**
General Business
Riverton KS

Duncan, Larry Gene Management Miami OK

Ely, Dianne Arlene Management Neosho

Enslow, Michael O.*
Accounting
Neosho

Fisher, John C.*
Management
Joplin

Florence, Cedric M Economics and Finance Missouri City TX

Foster, Krista A.

Management
Joplin

Frazier, Cindy Lee General Business Joplin

Fullerton, Scott G.*
Management
Carthage

Giertz, Ethan Roger † Economics and Finance Joplin

Gould, Bobby Raevel Economics and Finance Carl Junction

Grover, Richard T.
Economics and Finance
Independence

Grundy, Edwin L.* General Business Carthage

Haley, Carlos A. General Business St. Louis

Hallaba, Jaron Jane*
Economics and Finance
Cassville

Hartgrave, Lou Jean**
Accounting
Granby

Hayes, Patti Lynn* Accounting Goodman

Hayzlett, Cora Lynn General Business Diamond

Hensley, Jamie Matthew Marketing Carthage

Herndon, Joseph W.

Management / Marketing
Seligman

Hesterly, Shelby Rae Management Mansfield

Hogan, Debora Sue Accounting Sarcoxie

Holcomb, Michael Dale* Accounting Joplin

Holt, Christian Heath Marketing Joplin

Marketing
St. Charles

Hughey, Sandi Leigh*
Marketing
Joplin

Huke, Grady Shane**
Marketing
Lee's Summit

Hunter, Michelle Leigh*
Management
Monett

Jay, Brent Thomas
Marketing and Management
Neosho

Jenkins, Heather Lynn*† Accounting Nixa

Johnson, Mark Len Economics and Finance Neosho

Johnson, Stephanie R. Management Joplin

Juergens, Crystal D. General Business Sullivan

Katzfey, Dewenda R. Management Joplin

Kiger, Troy Dewayne**
Management
Joplin

Kimbley, Cortney B.

Marketing
Neosho

Koon, Kristi Renee Accounting Joplin

Lacy, Roger L. General Business / Management Fairland OK

Litchy, Alan Erwin Accounting Verona

Little, Tacy Ann Management Crane

Little, Tiffani L. Management Joplin

Long Jr., William Eugene* Economics and Finance Cassville

Lund, Christina F. Management Jasper Lunow, Danny Howard
Accounting
Joplin

Macy, Bridget L.

Marketing / Management
Neosho

Mascher, Troy Thomas Accounting Joplin

Matthews, Robert Michael Economics and Finance Amoret

McLafferty, Thomas J.*
Accounting
Joplin

McMullen, Jeremy Scott*
Accounting
Joplin

Miller, Michael D.

Marketing
Oronogo

Milligan, Cara M.*†
Accounting
Harrison AR

Myers, Tammy Lynn**
Management
Joplin

Nelson, Matthew Alan Management Lowell AR

Ness, Michael L. Accounting Carthage

Newton, Shelley Dawn Accounting Joplin

Sanders, Carolyn Ann*
Management
Miller

Ogle, Sheila Jean Management Sarcoxie

Overman, Melinda D.
Accounting
Liberty

Overton, Donny Wayne* Economics and Finance Nevada

Parker, Kevin Douglas
Marketing
Joplin

Patterson, Darla Gail Management Granby Pochik, Andy H.* Marketing Joplin

Posey, G. W.* Marketing Farmington NM

Rains, Aaron Dale*
Economics and Finance
Nevada

Ratchford, Clessie E. Marketing Lamar

Reeves, Michael Scott*
Management
Neosho

Rhea, Kimberly Lynn* Management Joplin

Rhoades, Kelli R.**
Accounting
Riverton KS

Rice, Macy Sue General Business Jasper

Rickard, Adam Colby Marketing Carthage

Ritchie, Carl Lynn*
Accounting
Carl Junction

Robinson, Keith Scott**
Management
Joplin

Ross, Debra Jane* General Business Joplin

Saunders, Traci Dawn Accounting Monett

Schmidt, Chad Matthew Economics and Finance Gallup NM

Shaw, Richard F.* Management Webb City

Siegel, Michael Scott**

Management

Webb City

Simonds, John David*
Management
Carthage

Sitton, Brian Douglas*
Management & Marketing
Carthage

Smalley, Melody B.**
Accounting
Butler

Smith, Scott Allen Marketing Monett

Spurling, Steven Earl*
Marketing
Liberal

Stafford, Brian Douglas Marketing Joplin

Stiles, Trent D.

Marketing

Nevada

Stout, Kimberly Ann Accounting Carthage

Swarnes, Jeremy T. Management Nevada Sweeney, Misty M.
Marketing
Monett

Swope, Samara Denise Marketing Joplin

Tash, Nathan Glen* Marketing Galena KS

Taylor, Bradley Wayne*
Accounting
Neosho

Taylor, Jeffrey Lee Accounting Joplin

Thomason, Cory D.*

Marketing
Joplin

Tipton, Jimmie D.*
Management
Joplin

Tomlin, LeAnn Joy Accounting Joplin

Triplett, Larry Don Management Sarcoxie

Tyler, Jennifer Lynn Management Joplin

Walker, Brian Wesley**
Marketing and Management
Joplin

White, Rochelle E. Economics and Finance Petersburg IL Williams, Donetta S.
Accounting
Nevada

Williams, Krista D.*

Marketing

Granby

Williams, Rocky Edward*
Marketing
Joplin

Wood, Suzanne Nicole**
Accounting
Drexel

Wright, Joseph R.

Marketing and Management
Miami OK

Wright, Sharon D.*†
Accounting
Lincoln

Younger, Chris L.
Accounting
Joplin

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Houlihan, James Jeffery Management Technology Pierce City Van Name, Julie M.
Management Technology
Webb City

Williams, Michelle Y.
Management Technology
Liberal

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Anderson, Nathaniel D.**
Psychology
Joplin

Baiamonte, Rebecca J.*
Psychology
Joplin

Bergen, Sandra L.**
Psychology
Anderson

Buntin, Christina C. Psychology Cassville

Campbell, Walter R. Psychology Joplin

Madole, Pamela Sue Psychology Carl Junction Mobley, Stephanie D. Psychology Joplin

Thompson, Darrion K.
Psychology
Miami OK

Triplett, Wes M. †
Psychology
Webb City

Vaughn, Gloria J. Psychology Joplin

Waggoner, William Matthew**
Psychology
Joplin

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Balfour, Greda Lyn Psychology Joplin

Beezley, Shawn Boone*
Psychology
Joplin

Estes, Destiny N. Psychology Joplin

Gundy, Jennifer Susan*
Psychology
Walker

Hargrove, Marla B. Psychology Neosho

Hettinger, Scott R.
Psychology
Carthage

James, Christine R. Psychology Newton KS

Landoll, Shelly L.
Psychology
Joplin

Leemon, Linda Drew Psychology Joplin

Millsap, Clay Austin*
Psychology
Wewoka OK

Oxford, Lucinda C. Psychology Joplin

Phipps, Chad Austin*
Psychology
Carthage

Schnake, Linda LaNae Psychology Stotts City

Scott, Karen Ann Psychology Neosho

Vincent, Candi J. Psychology Joplin

Wilkerson, Becky Sue Psychology Afton OK

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION

Adams, L. Keith Social Studies Education Seneca

Aldridge, Toni Beth*
Elementary Education
Carthage

Almandinger, Abigael Spanish Education Carthage

Armstrong, Gerry Sue Elementary Education Commerce OK

Artherton, Renee D.**
Mathematics Education
Tulsa OK

Babbitt, Connie L. English Education Webb City

Barbour, Kristy M. Elementary Education Walker

Barratt, Sandra E.* Physical Education Neosho

Barrett, Bridget S. Elementary Education Noel

Bashor, Judith Lee Elementary Education Joplin Bateman, Paul Hess Elementary Education Monett

Beese, Matthew Charles Theatre/Speech Communications Education Joplin

Bendure, Aimee E. Elementary Education Asbury

Berry, Andrea H. Elementary Education Miami OK

Blair, Mary K.* Elementary Education Seneca

Brunton, Victor L.*

Mathematics Education
Webb City

Buettner, Daniel Joseph Mathematics Education Arnold

Bullington, Sandra L.*
Business Education
Neosho

Butler, Shawnda D. Elementary Education Oronogo

Campbell, Piper Lynn Elementary Education Joplin Carlson, Joy Marie
Elementary Education
Carthage

Carter, E. Shannon Elementary Education Joplin

Cervantes, Jeanna R. Elementary Education Webb City

Clarke, Andrea Lene Biology Education Pinckneyville IL

Cole, Amy Marie*
Elementary Education
Webb City

Conley, Kerrie E.*

Elementary Education

Butler

Cooper, Rhonda Sandra Physical Education Wanganui New Zealand

Copeland, Michelle D. Elementary Education Granby

Copening, Tracy Lynn*
Elementary Education
Pierce City

Cox, E. Cosetta Elementary Education Jasper Crabtree, Zona Gayle*
Elementary Education
Monett

Crouch, Melanie Lyn Music Education Joplin

Crowder, Vickie Lou Elementary Education Wyandotte OK

Davis, Sherry Lea Elementary Education Miami OK

Deines, Shelby Lynn Elementary Education Monett

Dickens, April Anne Mathematics Education Liberal

Dodson, Susan Marie Social Studies Education Carl Junction

Doubledee, Loretta E. Elementary Education Oronogo

Downing, Rachelle E. Physical Education Avilla

Dudley, Penny Sue Elementary Education Carthage Eagleburger, Anthony Social Studies Education Nixa

Ellis, Edwina Joyce Elementary Education Reeds

Ethridge, Jennifer E.* Elementary Education Joplin

Evans, Wendy Lea*
Elementary Education
Carthage

Fansler, Lori Lynn Business Education Welch OK

Fennessey, Tina D.*
Elementary Education
Seneca

Flock, Zoie L.

Mathematics Education
Joplin

Flores, Linda Doreen Elementary Education Cassville

Foreman, Athena Rene Music Education Joplin

Foreman, Stephen W.

Music Education
Joplin

Franks Jr., Jon Alan Physical Education Neosho

Frazier, Latisha B.*
Elementary Education
Carthage

Fugate, Janelle E.*
Elementary Education
El Dorado Springs

Garrison, Douglas C.* English Education Webb City

Gillman, Sandra Dale**
Elementary Education
Carl Junction

Goode, Ramonna Lynn Elementary Education Webb City

Goodman, Leigh Anne Elementary Education Carthage

Gunter, Jan Lynn*
Elementary Education
Monett

Halvorson, Jason Howard**
Physical Education
Crystal MN

Hampton, Marsha L. English Education Seneca

Harvey, Bart T.
Biology Education
Ft. Scott KS

Henry, Leslie Marie*
Elementary Education
Washburn

Hettinger, Scott R. Social Studies Education Carthage

Hines, Donna Kaye
Elementary Education
Goodman

Hixson, Robert A. Physical Education Des Plaines IL

Houk, Renee Elementary Education Neosho

Houser, Melanie R. Biology Education Aurora

Huntley, Matthew S. Elementary Education Carthage

Jackson, Karen Sue Elementary Education Jay OK

Jeffers, Lela Susan* Social Studies Education Webb City

Jiner, Denise Lynn Elementary Education Joplin

Johnson, Stephen David Physical Education Gurnee IL

Jones, Sue K.* Elementary Education Joplin

Jordan, Amy Karen*
Elementary Education
Lebanon

Newton, Willa Lea*
Elementary Education
Nevada

Kief, Arenda Sue*
Elementary Education
Cassville

Killingsworth, Dustin Physical Education Greenfield

Kirkpatrick, Toby R. Business Education Farmington NM

Knatcal, Christina N.
Art Education
Purdy

Large, David L.*
Business Education
Joplin

Latimer, Leigh M. *Biology Education*Webb City

Lawson, Mendy S.
Elementary Education
Carthage

Leaming, Mark lan Elementary Education Jasper

Lewis, Philip R.
Physical Education
Sarcoxie

Loewe, Karen Raylene*
Elementary Education
Carl Junction

Loggains, Leesa Anne* Elementary Education Carthage

Long, Angela Dee*
Social Studies Education
Joplin

Long, Angela Michelle †
Mathematics Education
Washburn

Love, Amy Noelle*
Elementary Education
Duenweg

Lundien, Robert Guy *Music Education*Joplin

Mahurin, Amy Louise Elementary Education Joplin

Mahurin, Sarah L. Elementary Education Miami OK

Mailes, Carol Jean*
Elementary Education
Neosho

Mattox, Angela L.*
Elementary Education
Verona

Mayfield, Terry R.
Social Studies Education
Drexel

McDermott, Jennifer D.
Elementary Education
Diamond

Michel, Cheryl D.*
Theatre/Speech Communications Education
Joplin

Middleton, Connie Ann Elementary Education Carthage

Mitchell, Ashley J.*
Elementary Education
Joplin

Morris, Jeanie Marie Elementary Education Joplin

Murguia, Cindy Dawn*
Physical Education
Joplin

Nally, Rachel Leigh Business Education Parsons KS

Neagle, Rebecca Sue English Education Joplin

Olds, Brenda Ann
Elementary Education
Duenweg

Oliver, Susan Jane Elementary Education Webb City

Osterholz, Jennifer A. Elementary Education Caledonia IL

Overfelt, Sonia D.
Business Education
Joplin

Page, Jeff L. English Education Joplin

Pettibon, Michelle L.* Elementary Education Deerfield

Pham, An H.
Mathematics Education
Joplin

Pliler, Laura Sue*
Elementary Education
Joplin

Presley, Becky J.
Physical Education
Diamond

Price, Katherine A.* Elementary Education Miami OK

Putman, Stacy Marie Mathematics Education Carthage

Ray-Pusser, Michelle Social Studies Education Joplin

Riddle, Jason Adam Physical Education Joplin

Roberts, Robin Renee Elementary Education Joplin

Roszell, Robert W.
Elementary Education
Neosho

Rush, Jeremiah G. Social Studies Education Jasper

Russell, Janene Anne Mathematics Education Carthage

Sawyer, Scott David Social Studies Education Carthage

Schacht, Christopher Physical Education St. Louis Schwartz, Julie Diane Elementary Education Joplin

Shelton, Michael L. Art Education Diamond

Shumaker, Clarissa L. Elementary Education Nevada

Sigler, James Earl* English Education Joplin

Smith, Craig Steven Music Education Joplin

Steinbrecher, Trisha † Elementary Education Tulsa OK

Stephenson, Amy B. *Elementary Education*Granby

Stuck, Kristi DeAnn*†
Elementary Education
Joplin

Szukala, Jeffrey S.* Physical Education Park Ridge IL

Tanner, Teresa Lynn Mathematics Education Granby Tarnowieckyi, Scott Social Studies Education Webb City

Thomas, Marilyn Faye Elementary Education Neosho

Thomas, Sheri L.**
Social Studies Education
Joplin

Thomason, Stephanie M.*
Elementary Education
Joplin

Troxell, Gary A. †
Social Studies Education
Pierce City

Wakefield, Cynthia D. Elementary Education Carthage

Walker, Martha JoAnn* Elementary Education Carl Junction

Ward, Daniel Joseph Physical Education Joplin

Ward, Daniel Joseph**
Physical Education
Joplin

Warnick, Barbara Jean* Elementary Education Pierce City Wente, Wayne Larry*
Physical Education
Cicero IL

West, Michele Kay*
Elementary Education
Kansas OK

White, Mary Angelia* English Education Lamar

Whiteley, Pam L.
Elementary Education
Carthage

Williams, Bill T.
Business Education
Joplin

Williams, Paula Louise* Elementary Education Joplin

Witt-Bobski, Crista Michelle Elementary Education Pierce City

Yonkers, Julie Anne Music Education Joplin

Zustiak, Wendy Jane Elementary Education Columbus KS

BACHELOR OF GENERAL STUDIES

Allen, Kristy K:** General Studies Webb City

Bingham, Rusty Ray General Studies Baxter Springs KS

Butman, Mindy Lynn* General Studies Wyandotte OK

Conrace, Eva Susan* General Studies Joplin

Cragin, Kelli Lynn General Studies Webb City

Degginger, Jackie R. General Studies Joplin Dubbs, Jeremy Michael**
General Studies
Miami OK

Garrison, Dale C. General Studies Anderson

Horton, Tommie Jean General Studies Joplin

Losack, Joseph Michael* General Studies Mohave Valley AZ

McNally, Glenn Shirley General Studies Joplin Miller, Mitchell G. General Studies Nevada

Parker, Heather H. General Studies Webb City

Pettibon, Sandra May* General Studies Nevada

Phelps, William H.** General Studies Carthage

Pugh, Susan Leann General Studies Carthage Snyder, Doris Ann* General Studies Neosho

Stringer, Johnna M.* General Studies Joplin

Thomas, Kristin S.* General Studies Joplin

Tiede, Jason A. General Studies Webb City

Webster, Stacey Lynn**
General Studies
Neosho

Whitman, Darren Alan General Studies Neosho

Twelve Noon Ceremony

SCHOOL OF ARTS & SCIENCES

BACHELOR OF ARTS

austin, Ramona L. Communications Joplin

Barr, Norman E.*
Political Science
Joplin

Berkstresser, Becky L. Political Science Joplin

Bingham, Melanie Diane Political Science Baxter Springs KS

Bland, Albert C. Communications Kansas City

Brinkhoff, Tammi Rena English Carthage

Brown, Rebecca Lynn Communications Exeter

Bunch, Gary Christopher* Communications Joplin

Burns, Janelle Lea †
Political Science
Nevada

Campbell, Nancy M. English
Neosho

Cartwright, Rebbecca Christine* Chemistry Nevada

Casey, Charles R.*
Chemistry
Joplin

Couch, Valerie R. Music Joplin

Crawford, Justin Lynn Sociology Webb City Curry, Debora Lee English Carthage

Curry, Krista Ann Communications Carthage

Davison, Michael L. Spanish Joplin

Davison, Tabitha Jean Theatre Joplin

DeLaughder, Kenneth Wayne Communications Prescott KS

Doran, Phillip Wayne Communications Joplin

Dukart, Linda Denise*
Communications
Joplin

Durnell, Stephen Mark*
Chemistry
Joplin

Fowler, Mary Virgina Sociology Joplin

Franklin, Reginald L.**
Communications
Irving TX

Frieze, Sarah L.**
Communications
Joplin

Gilstrap, Curt Allen* Communications Joplin

Gladden, Scott G.*

Art

Webb City

Glaze, Carrie Renee*
Communications
Drexel

Goodnight, Holley L.
Communications
Carthage

Greene, Cassidi Jo Sociology Joplin

Grosse, Allison Lynne Communications Webb City

Henderson, William Kelly Communications Oklahoma City OK

Hilsabeck, Tricia Ann*
Communications
Joplin

Ingram, Anne M.
Communications
Seneca

Jeffers, Lela Susan* History Webb City

Keltner, James Ashley**
Art
Carthage

Kirkland, Lesley C.
Political Science
Joplin

Lang, Alexandra Bianca*
Communications
Miami OK

Lassiter, Christopher Evan*
Communications
Tulsa OK

Lawrence, Michele L.*

Art

Joplin

Leonard, Joseph Dale Communications Ava

Lozano, Betty Jean*
English
Webb City

Majors, Jackie L. History Monett

Martin, Rochelle Diane Sociology Nevada

McCullum, Peggy L.

Art
Joplin

Miller, Casey Lee Communications Carl Junction

Morgan, James Chance Political Science Carthage

Mouton, Paul Samuel**
Political Science
Carthage

Newton, Jason Karl Communications Joplin

O'Neal, Misty Dawn Art Joplin

Oehlschlager, Jessicca Communications Mt. Vernon

Poe, John Willard* Communications Joplin

Prince, Tonya C.
Communications
Carthage

Rainey, Crista Ann Theatre Joplin

Ray, Virginia Annette Communications Joplin

Ray-Pusser, Michelle Political Science Joplin

Reed, Debora Jean Art Joplin

Reynolds, Michael Kim Spanish Granby

Riley, Shawn K. Art El Dorado Springs

Rogers, Linda Louise Art Nevada

Ross, Catherine Jane Communications Jasper

Russell, Elgin Tyrone* Communications Joplin Schoen, Stacy Nicole
Art
Mt. Vernon

Sexton, Jennifer S. Communications Granby

Shelfer, Jason Thomas Communications Carthage

Sosa Jr., Daniel Ray** Political Science Granby

Sportsman, Donita Chemistry Lamar

Staggs, Roger Dean**
English
Joplin

Steele, Vicki Ann Communications Carterville

Stettes, Scott K.

Communications
Webb City

Storms, Rhesa Michelle Music McAlester OK Tarrant-Biancalana, Celeste Annette Communications

Thomas, Lissa Caryl Communications Joplin

Webb City

Thomas, Sheri L. History
Joplin

Tomlinson, Vannessa L.*
History
Joplin

Trahin, Kevin Dane Communications Webb City

Tubbs, Trenton W.
English
Joplin

Turpin, Daniel Scott Communications Joplin

Uptegrove, Jamie L. Sociology
Joplin

VanBuren, Cliff H. History Sarcoxie Volk, Diane M. Communications Joplin

VonMoss, Gena L. English Joplin

Wagoner, Chad E. Chemistry Carthage

Weaver, Heidi D.* Communications Joplin

Welch, William Edward History Carthage

White, Todd William Communications Joplin

Wolf, Kelli Beth English Joplin

Wood, Patrick Charles* English Joplin

Zeka, Laura L.** Sociology Joplin

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Brock, Michele R. Sociology Carthage

Brumfield, Melissa M. Biology Mt. Vernon

Carr, Kelli D. Biology Tulsa OK

Casey, Chad Arnold* Biology Poplar Bluff

Casey, Charles R.*
Medical Technology
Joplin

Charles, Debra Ann Sociology Joplin

Christal, Melissa M. Biology Neosho Claxton, Jennifer L. Biology Joplin

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A searly as the twelfth century the first modern universities, at Bologna and Paris, were centers of European learning. The usual garb of the time, for both churchmen and laymen, was a long gown which was necessary for warmth in the unheated buildings of the day. Scholars, generally members of church orders, wore such robes and also hoods to protect their shaven heads. Later, skull caps were worn on the head, and the hood became a cape which could be pulled over the head in unpleasant weather. The hood was also sometimes used to collect alms from the more affluent members of the community. As additional universities were founded, distinctive forms of the gown and hood were adopted by their faculties. Variations indicated various ranks within the institutions. Strict rules were published and in some cases punishment cited for tailors who departed from the authorized design.

The academic hat was a later development, adapted from the headdress of the ordinary people. Academically, it was originally worn as a symbol of the master's degree, and existed in various forms: some were round, some square and some had a tuft in the center. The flat, square "mortar board" of today

originated at Oxford University in England.

Academic costume came to America in 1754 with the founding of King's College, now Columbia University. Styles became quite varied as they were in Europe, but in 1895 a group of American college and university representatives met to establish a uniform system of academic apparel for this country. This led to the establishment in 1902 of an "Intercollegiate Code of Academic Costume." The American Council of Education formed a committee in 1932 to review the 1895 code, which was again reviewed and revised in both 1960 and 1965.

There are today three basic types of gowns and hoods. The bachelor's gown has pointed sleeves and is designed to be worn closed. Recipients of the associate degrees wear gray gowns designed like the bachelor's gown. The master's gown is designed with an oblong sleeve, open at the wrist and with an arc cut away at the front of the sleeve. It may be worn either open or closed. The doctoral gown is of a full design with voluminous sleeves, and it also may be worn open or closed. Unlike the other two, the doctoral gown is faced down the front with velvet and with three velvet bars on the sleeves. These may be black or a color related to the subject of the degree. Thus, arts, letters and humanities may be white, business degrees may be drab or sapphire blue, education uses light blue, fine arts is brown, music is pink and science is golden yellow, to name a few.

The caps are always black, with a black tassel for baccalaureate degrees and a tassel of the color indicated above for master's. Doctoral caps usually

have a tassel of metallic gold color.

The hoods worn by master's degree recipients are lined with the official colors of the institution awarding the degree. The binding and edging of the hood is silk or velvet in the color pertaining to the subject area. Doctoral hoods are longer and designed somewhat fuller, but the colors again are those of the institution granting the degree for the lining, and of the subject for the wide edging. There exists a small bachelor's hood, but generally it is not used in this country.